

**Division on Earth and Life Studies
Board on Environmental Studies and Toxicology**

August 5, 2022

Christopher Gonzales
Task Order Contracting Officer Representative
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ORD/CCTE
1200 Pennsylvania Ave NW

Washington, DC 20460

Re: Monthly Progress Report, Variability and Relevance of Current Laboratory Mammalian Toxicity Tests and Expectations for New Approach Methods (NAMs) for use in Human Health Risk Assessment, Contract #68HERC19D0011; Task Order # 68HERC21F0178

Dear Mr. Gonzalez:

This progress report for the contract task referenced above covers the month of July 2022.

Since project inception, the work accomplished has included preparation and distribution of the call for nominations for the project committee; screening of individual nominations; preparation of a committee nomination slate for National Academies approval; web posting of the approved provisional committee roster for a 20-day public comment period; planning and conduct of two workshops; progress on the literature review, including design and conduct of the literature search; and organization and conduct of other open data-gathering sessions as well as closed meetings of the committee. No QA/QC activities or corrective actions have been undertaken.

During the reporting period, National Academies staff organized and conducted the 11th meeting of the committee, on July 7, over the internet. During this meeting, the committee discussed the draft consensus report, the literature review, and plans for future meetings during 2022, with the support of project staff. National Academies staff also organized and conducted the 12th meeting of the committee, as a hybrid meeting on July 28-29. National Academies staff provided logistical support and arranged travel for committee members that attended in person, arranged for members and staff not attending in person to join virtually, and organized public

registration and webcasting of the open session. The closed session of the meeting was webcast and included presentations from EPA and a question-and-answer session with EPA staff and the committee, as well as an opportunity for public comment. During closed sessions, the committee shared reflections on the open session, discussed the report draft, and discussed the literature review status and next steps.

During the forthcoming period, National Academies staff anticipate organizing further meetings of the committee, including in subgroup. These meetings will help to advance draft sections of the committee's report, as well as the literature review. National Academies staff will further support the committee by assisting with screening and organization of the results of the literature review. Other anticipated effort will include soliciting background material and committee availability for forthcoming open and closed sessions of the committee as a whole and in subgroups. A recording of the July 28 open session will be made available on the [project website](#).

A summary and details of project-related expenditures are provided below.

Financial information for July 2022:

| | | |
|-----------------|----|--------------|
| Labor Cost | \$ | Ex. 4 CBI |
| ODCs | \$ | |
| Overhead | \$ | |
| G&A | \$ | |
| Total July 2022 | \$ | |
| | | \$ 31,225.06 |

The total expenditures since inception are \$ 427,248.79. The attached figures and tables show dollars spent, a comparison of total funds spent and labor costs, cumulative funds spent by activity (excluding labor), and cumulative hours worked by National Academies staff.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Z. Guyton

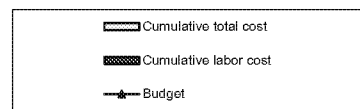
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EPA Current Laboratory Mammalian Toxicity Tests
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Progress Report, July 1, 2022 thru July 31, 2022
Total Dollars Spent (Thousand)

Ex. 4 CBI

990.20



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Comparison of Total Funds Spent and Labor Cost

Dollars (thousands)

Ex. 4 CBI

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Cumulative Funds Spent by Task (Excluding Labor)

Dollars spent

Ex. 4 CBI

⌘ Funds Spent this Period ⌘ Total funds spent to date

Task

Hours

Ex. 4 CBI